

Amendments to the Claims:

1-22. (cancelled)

23. (currently amended) Tank for a water-treatment device comprising:

[[-]] an internal coating, which extends along a longitudinal axis, from a bottom to an opening area with an opening to the atmosphere, said internal coating forming a wall and a neck defining said opening and projecting longitudinally from the cap wall;

[[-]] a hollow insert, comprising an annular wall for connection to the coating, and a ~~collar~~ collar, connected to the annular wall, marking the opening of the coating, projecting externally from the coating;

[[-]] an outside covering, which at least partially covers the coating, and which is in close contact with ~~this~~ the coating;

wherein ~~the covering comprises~~ a portion of the covering at least partially ~~covering~~ covers the collar, which is in close contact ~~with this~~ therewith, reinforcing the connection between the insert and the coating,

the collar projects radially in relation to the annular wall of the insert, and

the portion of the covering which envelops the collar holds the insert and holds said collar in contact with a neck of the coating marking said opening,

said insert comprising gripping elements suitable for making a mechanical connection with said coating, said gripping elements comprising annular projections projecting radially from said annular wall and engaging said neck.

24 - 25. (canceled)

26. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the collar presents at least one annular indentation, which is penetrated by at least one piece of the portion of covering.

27. (currently amended) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the collar has an annular groove ~~suitable for holding a sealing ring~~ and further comprising a sealing ring disposed in the annular groove and held between the collar and an upper surface of the neck of the coating.

28. (canceled)

29. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the insert has an internal threaded piece.

30. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the coating is made of a coating material and the insert is made of an insert material, wherein the insert material has a mechanical hardness that is greater than that of the coating material.

31. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the coating is made of high-density polyethylene for alimentary purposes.

32. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the insert is made of high-density polyethylene for alimentary purposes loaded with glass fibres.

33. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the covering comprises at least one bundle of fibre.

34. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 33, wherein the bundle of fibre is buried in a matrix, forming a continuous layer of wrapping.

35. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 34, wherein the bundle comprises glass fibres.

36. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 35, wherein the matrix is made of an isophthalic neopentilic resin.

37. (previously presented) Tank according to claim 23, wherein the covering is a continuous, airtight layer.

38. (currently amended) Device for water treatment, said device comprising a tank according to claim 23 , ~~wherein the tank comprises~~

~~= an internal coating, which extends along a longitudinal axis, from a bottom to an opening area with an opening to the atmosphere,~~

~~= a hollow insert, comprising an annular wall for connection to the coating, and a collar), connected to the annular wall, marking the opening of the coating, projecting externally from the coating,~~

~~= an outside covering, which at least partially covers the coating, and which is in close contact with this,~~

~~wherein the covering comprises a portion of covering at least partially covering the collar, which is in close contact with this, reinforcing the connection between the insert and the coating.~~

39. (previously presented) Device according to claim 38, also comprising a structure suitable for holding the tank, which is largely hidden from sight and suitable for holding water.

40. (withdrawn) Method for manufacturing a tank, wherein the tank comprises

- an internal coating, which extends along a longitudinal axis, from a bottom to an opening area with an opening to the atmosphere;

- a hollow insert, comprising an annular wall for connection to the coating, and a collar), connected to the annular wall, marking the opening of the coating, projecting externally from the coating;

- an outside covering, which at least partially covers the coating, and which is in close contact with this;

wherein the covering comprises a portion of covering at least partially covering the collar, which is in close contact with this, reinforcing the connection between the insert and the coating;

wherein the method comprises the phases of:

- making the hollow insert;
- making the coating, connected to the insert;
- covering the collar with a portion of covering;
- covering the coating, at least partially, with a covering, the portion of covering of the collar being continuous with the covering of the coating.

41. (withdrawn) Method according to claim 40, wherein the phase of producing the coating connected to the insert comprises the phase of making the coating with a rotational press.

42. (withdrawn) Method according to claim 40, wherein the phase of producing the coating connected to the insert comprises the phase that involves the implementation of a procedure for blowing a tube, part of the tube having being previously arranged around the annular wall of the insert to connect the insert to the coating.

43. (withdrawn) Method according to claim 40, wherein the phase of covering the collar with a portion of covering comprises the phase of wrapping the collar with the portion of covering.

44. (withdrawn) Method according to claim 40, wherein the phase of covering the coating with a covering comprises the phase of wrapping the coating, at least partially, with the covering.